

Domestic Fundamentals:**Market Outlook:**

The cotton physical market showed a mixed trend across India today. MCX cotton spot price was stable at Rs.44,620/bale on Friday. ICE cotton futures closed red on Thursday.

News: *The Indian government on 13th April 2022 has removed the Agriculture Infrastructure and Development Cess (5 percent) and basic custom duty (5 percent) on the imports of cotton. The government has allowed duty free imports of cotton until 30th September 2022 as prices in the local market has increased because of lower production in 2021-22 season. Further, duty free imports will help textile mills to import cotton from Australia, Brazil, African countries and United States. Agriwatch expects prices to come down slightly in the short term.*

Punjab is likely to increase the area under cotton cultivation by 26 percent to 4 lakh hectares in 2022-23 season, despite the dismay period last year when cotton crop was damaged due to pink bollworm attack. In the 2021-22 season cotton was sown on over 3.35 lakh hectares. Agriwatch expects area under cotton cultivation to increase by 12-15 percent in the 2022-23 season.

Cotton Association of India has reduced its March estimate of the cotton crop for the 2021-22 season by 8 lakh bales to 335.13 lakh bales from its previous estimate of 343.13 lakh bales. The Association has attributed the reduction in crop estimate to the drop in production in states including Gujarat, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, Odisha, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh.

The total cotton supply between October 2021 to March 2022 remained at 343.68 lakh bales, which consists of the arrivals of 262.68 lakh bales, imports of 6 lakh bales during the month of March 2022 and Opening Stock of 75 lakh bales equivalent to 79.69 lakh running bales at the beginning of the season on 1st October 2021. Further, the CAI has estimated cotton consumption for the months of October to March 2022 at 175 lakh bales while export shipment of cotton during the months of October to March 2022 is estimated at 35 lakh bales. Stock at the end of March 2022 is estimated at 133.68 lakh bales.

Weather Forecast:

Heat wave conditions in isolated pockets over Punjab, Haryana, Delhi, West Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Saurashtra & Kutch is expected. Thunderstorm accompanied with lightening winds & hail is very likely at isolated places over Assam & Meghalaya, ,Telangana and with lightening at isolated places over Bihar, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Odisha, Nagaland, Mizoram, Manipur, Tripura, Kerala & Mahe and Rayalaseema. Heavy rainfall at isolated places very likely over Assam & Meghalaya, and Arunachal Pradesh.

International Fundamentals:

The ICE cotton Futures was lower by 79 points at 141.98 cents/lb. The Cotlook A index was at 155.90 cents/lb. The AWP for cotton was at 131.10 cents/lb.

According to the U.S. Crop progress report, as on 11th April 2022, U.S cotton planting stands at 7 percent which 1 percent lower from previous season of 8 percent. U.S. cotton planting was same as past 5 years average of 7 percent.

According to USDA WASDE Report, the 2021-22 cotton production is estimated 340,000 bales higher, with increases for Pakistan and Greece. A 500,000-bale decline in China's expected consumption resulted in a similar decline in the global estimate, which now stands at 124.1 million bales. World trade is projected about 450,000 bales lower this month, with exports projected lower for India, Brazil, and Malaysia.

DOMESTIC PRICES AND ARRIVALSCotton Prices at Key Spot Markets:

Commodity	Kapas		Prices (Rs./Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	Closed	12500	-
	Gondal	Shankar-6	Closed	12955	-
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	12650	12275	375
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	Closed	Closed	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	12500	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	11510	11190	320
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	11900	12000	-100
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	11200	11500	-300
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	10300	10500	-200
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	9500	9800	-300
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	11500	11400	100
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	11700	12000	-300
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	Closed	Closed	-
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	NA	-
Commodity	Lint		Prices (Rs./Maund)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	9800	9700	100
	Abohar	J-34	9800	9850	-50
	Mansa	J-34	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	9500	9550	-50
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	8977	8977	Unch

Cotton Arrivals in Key Centers:

Commodity	Kapas		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Shankar-6	Closed	20400	-

	Gondal	Shankar-6	Closed	3106	-
	Rajkot	B.T. Cotton	2100	3145	-1045
	Patan	B.T. Cotton	Closed	Closed	-
	Kadi	B.T. Cotton	NA	4000	-
	Deesa	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Dhrol	B.T. Cotton	104	79	25
Haryana	Bhiwani	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Bhiwani	Desi	NA	NA	-
	Adampur	B.T. Cotton	1360	850	510
	Fatehabad	B.T. Cotton	100	125	-25
	Jind	B.T. Cotton	850	510	340
	Uchana	B.T. Cotton	700	300	400
	Dabwali	B.T. Cotton	400	500	-100
Rajasthan	Hanumangarh	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Rawatsar	B.T. Cotton	100	200	-100
Madhya Pradesh	Khandwa	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
	Khargaon	Mech-1	NA	NA	-
Maharashtra	Amravati	Mech-1	Closed	Closed	-
	Jamner	Medium Staple	NA	NA	-
Uttar Pradesh	Hathras	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Hathras	Desi	NA	NA	-
Telangana	Adilabad	Un-Ginned	NA	NA	-
Karnataka	Bijapur	Bunny	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	D.C.H.	NA	NA	-
	Hubli	B.T. Cotton	NA	NA	-
	Raichur	H-44 Cotton	NA	NA	-
Commodity	Lint		Arrivals (Quintal)		Change
State	Centre	Variety	15-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	
Punjab	Bhatinda	J-34	680	1700	-1020
	Abohar	J-34	255	255	Unch
	Mansa	J-34	NA	NA	-
Haryana	Sirsa	J-34	850	1020	-170
Rajasthan	Sri-Ganganagar	J-34	NA	NA	-

Cotton Seed Oil Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	15-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	
Gujarat	Rajkot	Rs. /10 Kg.	1580	1580	Unch
Delhi	New Delhi	Rs. /10 Kg.	1520	1520	Unch
Telangana	Hyderabad	Rs. /10 Kg.	1580	1540	40
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Rs. /10 Kg.	Closed	1595	-

Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake Prices:

Commodity	Cotton Seed Oil Seed Cake		Price		Change
State	Centre	Unit	15-Apr-22	14-Apr-22	

Gujarat	Mahesana (Kadi)	Rs./Qtl	Closed	Closed	-
Maharashtra	Akola	Rs./Qtl	Closed	Closed	-

INTERNATIONAL PRICES AND INDICES**China Cotton Index:**

Index	Unit	13-Apr-22	12-Apr-22	Change
CCIndex(328)	RMB/Ton	22715	22732	-17
CCIndex(527)	RMB/Ton	20904	20911	-7
CCIndex(229)	RMB/Ton	23153	23162	-9
RMB -Renminbi, 1RMB =0.16 \$U.S.				

China Foreign Cotton (FCE) Index :

Index	Unit	13-Apr-22	12-Apr-22	Change
FC Index (S)	Cents/lb	157.09	150.99	6.10
FC Index (M)	Cents/lb	155.5	149.41	6.09
FC Index (L)	Cents/lb	153.97	147.87	6.10

Cotlook Index:

Cotlook Indices	Unit	13-Apr-22	12-Apr-22	Change
A-Index	Cents/Pound	155.9	151.9	4.00

USDA Cotton Spot Rates:

Growth Area	Unit	Leaf 4 to Staple 34	Leaf 3 to Staple 35	Arrivals
		13-Apr-22	12-Apr-22	Bales
Southeast	cents/lb.	143.77	141.76	#N/A
North Delta	cents/lb.	142.77	140.76	#N/A
South Delta	cents/lb.	142.77	140.76	#N/A
East TX-OK	cents/lb.	136.27	134.26	#N/A
West Texas	cents/lb.	136.27	133.51	#N/A
Desert SW	cents/lb.	136.02	134.01	#N/A
SJ Valley	cents/lb.	136.52	141.16	#N/A

Spot quotations are for cotton equal to the official standards, net weight, in mixed lots. Upland quotations are FOB car/truck, which includes compression and any brokerage charges. The upland base quality is color 41, leaf grade 4, staple 34 (1.05 to 1.07), mike 3.5, 3.6 and 4.3 to 4.9, strength 26.5 to 28.4 grams per Tex and uniformity 80.5 to 81.4

Pakistan Cotton Spot rates: As on 14-Apr-2022				(in Pakistan Rupees)
Product	Rate for	Ex-Gin Price	Up Country Sales	Spot Rate Karachi
Cotton	37.32Kgs	20200	180	20680
Equivalent	40 Kgs	21648	193	22163

Daily Futures Price Listing Thursday, Apr 14 th , 2022									
Most Recent Information							Previous Day		
Month	Date	Open	High	Low	Close	Change	Volume	Open Int	Change
Cotton(ICE)									
May-22	220414	142.92	146.14	140.73	141.98	-0.79	20,846	29,862	-6,912
Jul-22	220414	141.68	144.78	139.34	140.71	-0.80	24,075	92,440	+5,923
Oct-22	220414	128.99	128.99	128.19	128.19	+0.01	4	46	+2
Dec-22	220414	121.85	124.36	120.23	122.48	+0.30	8,844	71,460	+1,359
Mar-23	220414	117.25	119.99	115.89	117.89	-0.04	1,075	11,685	+281
May-23	220414	112.92	115.32	111.38	113.40	-0.14	265	2,894	+37
Total Volume and Open Interest							55,710	220,906	+890

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